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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION

I. INTRODUCTION

In response to the requirement for restriction mailed September 29, 2008, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the subject matter of Group II, including claims 12-26, drawn to a lower ester pectin product.

Applicants further elect for examination the species of Species I, including claims 21-23, drawn to the use of a lower pectin ester in foodstuffs. Should the generic claim(s) 12-20 be found allowable, Applicants reserve the right to rejoin the non-elected species.

Starting on page 2 of this communication, Applicants provide a full listing of the claims, reflecting the present election.